

SENATE No. 982

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Walter F. Timilty

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act prohibiting the obstruction of state highways.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Walter F. Timilty

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth

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By Mr. Timilty, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 982) of Walter F. Timilty for legislation to establish penalties for obstructing a state highway. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 3453 OF 2015-2016.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)**

An Act prohibiting the obstruction of state highways.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Chapter 272 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following section:-

2 Section 106. Whoever commits or attempts to commit any act to obstruct, block, detain,
3 or render passage impossible, unsafe or unreasonably difficult for the normal movement of
4 traffic, commerce, or any emergency medical services on a limited access or express state
5 highway in any manner that is dangerous to the general public, shall be punished by
6 imprisonment in a state prison for not more than 10 years.